Hippopotamus creutzburgi

The **Cretan dwarf hippopotamus** (*Hippopotamus creutzburgi*) is an extinct species of hippopotamus from the island of Crete. *Hippopopotamus* colonized Crete probably 800,000 years ago and lived there during the Middle Pleistocene.[3] Bones of *H. creutzburgi* were found by Dorothea Bate on the Katharo plateau, in eastern Crete, in the 1900s.[4] A similar species, the Cyprus dwarf hippopotamus (*Phanourios minor*) lived on the island of Cyprus until the Holocene. It was at least 20% smaller than either subspecies of Cretan hippo.[5]

See also

- Cyprus dwarf hippopotamus
- Maltese dwarf hippopotamus
- Sicilian dwarf hippopotamus

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Temporal range:

Middle Pleistocene

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Life restoration

Scientific classification

Kingdom:	Animalia
Phylum:	Chordata
Class:	Mammalia
Order:	Artiodactyla
Family:	Hippopotamidae
Genus:	*Hippopotamus*
Species:	†***H. creutzburgi***

Binomial name

†***Hippopotamus creutzburgi***
(Boekschoten & Sondaar, 1966)[1]

Subspecies

- *H. c. creutzburgi*
- *H. c. parvus*[2]

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